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TITLE OF INVENTION: HIGH-EFFICIENCY LED-BASED ILLUMINATION SYSTEM WITH IMPROVED COLOR RENDERING

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### **DETAILED ACTION**

## Response to Amendment

The Amendment, filed on November 25, 2009, has been entered and acknowledged by the Examiner. Cancellation of claims 8 and 11 has been entered. Newly added claims 18-30 has been entered. Claims 1-7, 9-10, and 12-30 are pending in the instant application.

## Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 1-7, 9-10, and 12-30 are allowed.

The following is an examiner's statement of reasons for allowance:

Regarding claim 1, the references of the Prior Art of record fails to teach or suggest the combination of the limitations as set forth in claim 1, specifically for the limitation of the green component is produced by the primary radiation of the first LED being at least partially converted by a green-emitting phosphor, the green-emitting phosphor used being a phosphor from the class of the oxynitridosilicates, having a cation M and the empirical formula M(1-c)Si202N2:Dc, where M comprises at least 50 mol% of Sr as a constituent, D represents an activator comprising Eu, c is within the range of 0.001 to 0.2, and the oxynitridosilicate completely or predominantly comprising high-temperature-stable modification in combination with other claimed features of the present claimed invention.

Regarding claims 2-7, 9-10, and 12-28, claims 2-7, 9-10, and 12-28 are allowable for the reasons given in claim 1 because of their dependency status from claim 1.

Regarding claim 29, the references of the Prior Art of record fails to teach or suggest the combination of the limitations as set forth in claim 29, specifically for the limitation of the green

component is produced by the primary radiation of the first LED being at least partially converted by a green-emitting phosphor, the green-emitting phosphor used being a phosphor from the class of the oxynitridosilicates, having a cation M and the empirical formula M(1c)Si202N2:Dc, where M comprises at least 50 mol% of Sr as a constituent, D represents an activator comprising Eu, c is within the range of 0.001 to 0.2, the oxynitridosilicate completely or predominantly comprising high-temperature-stable modification, and a part of the group SiN in the oxyrfitridosilicate of formula M(1-c)Si202N2:De is replaced by the group A10in combination with other claimed features of the present claimed invention.

Regarding claim 30, claim 30 is allowable for the reasons given in claim 29 because of their dependency status from claim 29.

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### Conclusion

The prior art made of record and not relied upon is considered pertinent to applicant's disclosure.

Delsing et al. (US 7,351,356) is cited to show a luminescent material, especially for LED application.

Mitomo et al. (US 6,632,379) is cited to show a oxynitride phosphor, activated by a rare earth element, and sialon type phosphor.

Bogner et al. (US 6,649,946) is cited to show a light source using a yellow to red emitting phosphor.

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Marshall et al. (US 6,692,136) is cited to show a LED/phosphor LED hybrid lighting system.

## **Contact Information**

Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Natalie K. Walford whose telephone number is (571)-272-6012. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday-Friday, 8 AM - 4:30 PM.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Nimesh Patel can be reached on (571)-272-2457. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is (571)-273-8300.

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